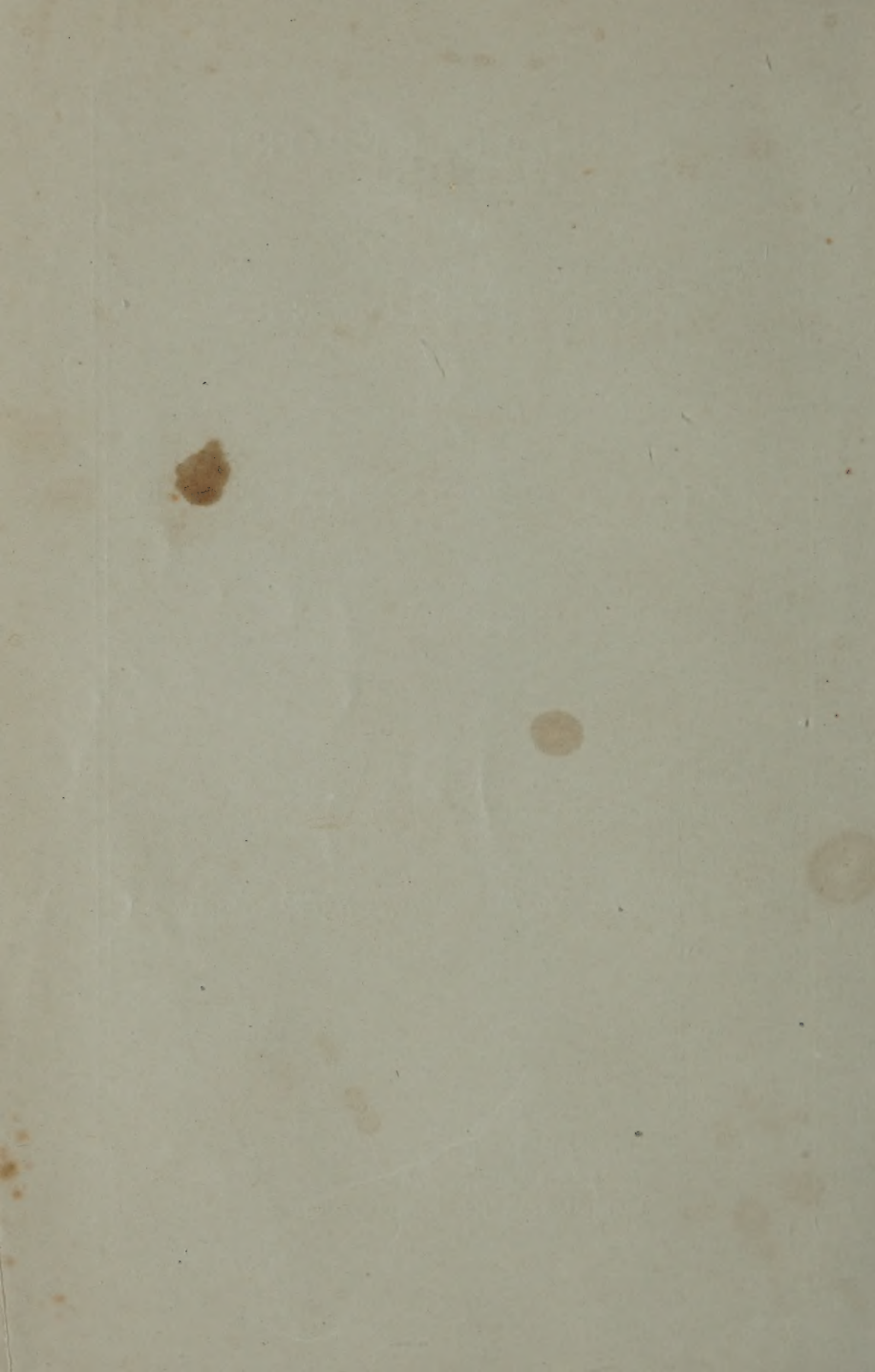


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Commissioners' Report.

The Commissioners herewith respectfully submit their Twelfth Annual Report, covering a period of fourteen months, from March 1st, 1878, to May 1st, 1879.

COUNTY FARM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Products of the Farm for the season of 1878, the weights and quantities being estimated :

English Hay.....	130 tons.
Stock "	12 "
Barley Fodder	6 "
" Straw.....	4 "
Oat "	12 "
Corn Fodder	25 "
Squash	2 "
Cabbage	2 "
Beets	400 bush.
Corn.....	550 "
Potatoes.....	750 "
Onions	70 "
White Beans	20 "
Colored "	15 "
Oats	206 "

Barley	117 bush.
Sweet Corn	40 "
Dry Peas	3 "
Turnips	100 "
Parsnips	30 "

A large amount of green vegetables raised and consumed on the Farm before harvest are not enumerated.

OTHER PRODUCTS OF THE FARM.

Pigs	89
Lambs	15
Calves	20
Eggs	225 doz.
Poultry	300 lbs.
Butter	2500 "

MEATS SLAUGHTERED FROM STOCK RAISED ON THE FARM.

Beef	3041 lbs.
Pork	13385 "

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY, APRIL 30, 1879.

LIVE STOCK.

6 Oxen	\$500
23 Cows	1150
4 Yearlings	50

1 Bull.....	60
4 Horses	700
14 Sheep and 14 Lambs.....	140
34 Swine	850
Poultry.....	15

	\$3465 00
Hay and Grain	552 00
Carriages, Harnesses and Farming Tools.....	936 55
Manure and other Fertilizers.....	1425 00
Coal, Wood and Lumber	990 00
Groceries and Provisions.....	1293 25
Cooking Utensils, Crockery and Table Ware, Beds, Bedding, and other Household Furniture.....	3438 42
Clothing, Materials and Implements	159 00
Drugs and Medicines.....	30 00
Miscellaneous Articles	388 61

	\$12,677 83
Inventory, March 1, 1878.....	14,718 74

Decrease from March 1, 1878, to April 30, 1879...	\$2.040 91
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RECEIPTS.

E. G. & E. Wallace, hides	\$28 84
Stephen Roberts, board	75 00
14 calves sold	82 00
53 pigs "	165 00
Labor on highway.....	10 50
Horse-keeping.....	75
1 1-2 bush. onions sold.....	1 50
Heman Hunter, board of Maria Weeks.....	4 00

Premiums at Consolidated Fair.....	14 20
Whitehouse & Varney, onions and lard.....	45 04
L. Beach & Co., tallow and grease	35 36
John L. Shortridge, provisions.....	8 60
Use of bull.....	6 00
" boar	2 00
Commissioners' orders	4163 93
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	\$4,642 52

EXPENDITURES.

Cyrus Littlefield, 84 loads sand	\$8 40
E. A. Frazier, 6 bbls. crackers	22 02
" " yeast.....	78
E. Husband, burial caps and robes.....	12 42
Rev. Mr. Mellen, services at funerals.....	8 60
Hiram F. Snow, grinding grain.....	1 50
H. G. Cate, 166 lbs. beef.....	9 96
Joseph Liberty, expenses to Canada.....	2 00
I. D. Stewart, <i>Morning Star</i>	2 50
Estate of J. W. Pierce, bull calf.....	10 00
Toll over bridge	60
Charles H. Horton, Record Books	5 50
Gasper Welch, 215 lbs. fish.....	6 45
John Maghan, labor	2 00
Eastern Railroad, freight	105 70
C. W. Folsom, <i>Rochester Courier</i>	3 00
G. W. Parker, 460 lbs. Beef.....	27 60
George J. Foster & Co., <i>Foster's Democrat</i>	2 60
C. A. Fairbanks, muff for insane	11 55
C. A. Fairbanks, silk stocking for pauper	3 00
J. A. Clough & Son. grinding grain.....	14 55
100 postage stamps.....	3 00

Walker & Pratt, linings and grate for range	9 75
Niles & Co. Express, fish and express.....	21 76
State Reform School, 2 pigs.....	7 00
Jackson & Co's Express	1 35
Rev. Mr. Thurston, services at funerals.....	2 00
Jesse Cole, seed beans	1 85
— Scott, 1000 cabbage plants	3 40
Rev. Mr. Ricker, services at funerals.....	8 00
Eli Page, potatoes and wood	45 20
— Pinkham, sundries for sewing machine.....	1 38
Charles Mitchell, shearing 13 sheep.....	1 63
Rev. Mr. DeBuchananne, services at funerals.....	4 00
W. F. Walker, fresh fish.....	32
William H. Hayes, labor.....	78 32
J. H. R. Smith, trees	1 80
Herman Vyth, 270 lbs. beef.....	16 20
Joseph Winckley, strawberries.....	1 25
A. Wilbur & Co., 1 box elastic cement.....	96
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight	13 70
Strong & Wilbur, slate.....	16 00
Hiland, Chessman & Co., 2 boxes cabbage plants.....	3 70
A. W. Simpson, 1 bbl. crackers.....	3 29
Rev. Mr. Towne, services at funerals.....	8 00
E. B. Caswell, teaching school.....	150 00
Dossie J. Cole, services as seamstress.....	176 67
Daniel McDuffee & Co., 800 lbs. corned beef	40 00
— Rockwell, rep'g pipe for spring.....	40
Boston Lead Co., valves.....	11 50
Edwin Fernald, Gt. Falls <i>Journal</i>	1 50
Willis A. Joy, <i>Free Press</i>	1 50
Chamberlain Brothers, 1 bbl. flour.....	6 50
Curtis P. Chesley, labor on pipes at spring.....	15 00
E. Judson Lock, threshing grain.....	25 88
James H. Stiles, 2050 lbs. beef.....	106 00
George D. Watson, 43 gallons vinegar.....	8 60
W. H. K. Fernald, labor at spring.....	13 00

Somersworth Machine Co., 40 gallon cauldron.....	5 11
John D. Clark, 951 lbs. beef.....	55 85
Edgar Caverly, labor in Insane Asylum.....	241 34
Patrick Farley, labor.....	8 00
Albert Walker, 337 lbs. beef.....	16 85
Joseph A. Whicher, 592 lbs. beef.....	32 56
Benjamin F. Hayes, 246 lbs. beef.....	12 30
J. G. Felker, making 358 gallons cider.....	5 37
Cyrus G. Scott, 865 lbs. beef.....	51 90
J. H. Rundlett, repairing pipe.....	10 50
Smith Clark, 533 lbs. beef.....	31 98
Ellen Bickford, labor.....	31 33
J. M. Babcock & Co., making yarn.....	14 40
Pittsfield Express.....	75
John L. Shortridge, labor.....	104 10
“ “ 19 bushels potatoes.....	15 20
Moses Hill, wicking.....	70
George A. Caverly, rep'g wagon.....	1 00
John M. Burnham, 456 lbs. corned beef.....	22 80
H. V. Copp, 10 1-2 bbls. mackerel.....	84 00
John W. Bates, books.....	45 75
Daniel Wentworth, 318 lbs. beef.....	19 08
Joseph Winkley, 645 lbs. beef.....	32 25
Oliver A. Locke, 164 lbs. beef.....	8 20
Samuel A. Locke, 1432 lbs. beef.....	91 55
John C. Tasker, mackerel.....	4 00
Martin S. Hutchins, moccasins.....	3 50
Isaac Thompson, 644 lbs. beef.....	32 20
Jesse Cole, beef cow.....	34 44
Julia Hayes, labor.....	77 32
Warren P. Hanscom, labor.....	57 08
D. D. Caswell, 468 lbs beef.....	28 08
Charles H. Seavey, 917 lbs. beef.....	55 02
Charles W. Norris, repairing boots and shoes.....	69 32
Aaron W. Foss, 749 lbs beef.....	38 60
William Stearns, dry goods.....	2 02

Ticket and expenses of pauper to Canada	9 00
Eben F. Faxon, 558 lbs. beef	17 90
Joseph S. Abbott, cutting ice	10 00
John C. Hanson, 435 lbs. beef	23 92
Postage stamps	1 98
S. S. Chick & Co., 12 pairs overalls	3 00
David S. Hanson, 438 lbs. beef	24 09
Joseph W. Ham, 170 lbs. beef	9 35
— Young, 15 lbs. fish	45
Albert Barker, rubber and steel stamps	1 77
R. Haley & Co., potatoes	23 08
George A. Howe, 473 lbs. fish	14 54
Henry S. Avery, labor	247 37
Deborah Caswell, labor	363 36
Alice Murphy, labor in Insane Asylum	118 00
G. D. Clark, rep'g boots and shoes	10 90
L. Beach & Co., soap stock	105 26
S. J. Smith, 223 lbs. beef	13 38
Mary Downie, labor	29 83
Sarah A. Brown, labor as seamstress	13 15
Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Thompson, labor in Insane Asylum	20 53
Services of self and Mrs. Caswell 14 months to May 1, 1879, at \$1000 per annum	1166 67
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	\$4,642 52

PAUPERS BOARDED AT THE FARM.

	Weeks.	Days.
Patrick Farley	60	5
Valentine Mathes	60	5
Asa Hall	60	5
Jefferson Holland	50	5

Sampson Perkins.....	60	5
Ezekiel Hayes.....	60	5
Joseph E. Cook.....	60	5
Samuel Willey.....	60	5
Porter Sargent.....	60	5
Frank Jones	60	5
Dudley Swain	60	5
John Brown.....	60	5
Winthrop Burnham.....	60	5
Lemuel Twombly	60	5
Moses H. Hayes.....	60	5
James H. Roberts.....	48	2
Daniel Whitehouse	55	1
William Whitehouse	12	5
Owen Flood	27	6
Thomas Warren.....	60	5
Frank Meaghan.....	60	5
Enoch Hayes	60	5
Abram Ellison.....	60	5
Joseph Roberts.....	60	5
Patrick Murphy.....	60	5
William Hayes	60	5
William P. Knight.....	60	5
Isaac Nute.....	60	5
Fred Grant	60	5
Edward B. Nute	60	5
William Twombly	60	5
Joseph Palmer.....	60	5
Janvrin Dame	60	5
Daniel R. Gale	60	5
Austin Yelden	60	5
John Ryan.....	60	5
Charles Woodus	8	
Parker Knowles.....	12	5
William J. Files.....	60	5
Joseph Wilkinson	60	5

Joseph Liberty.....	4	4
John Bragdon	60	5
Henry Witham	60	5
Lucien Grant.....	60	5
Christopher Crosby.....	60	5
Ivory W. Hanscomb.....	60	5
Robert Banton.....	56	1
Rufus Wedgewood	60	5
Joseph Lord.....	60	5
John J. Smith.....	60	5
Nathaniel Demeritt	60	5
Winfield S. Pray	60	5
Joseph F. Hayes.....	4	
Elijah Edgerly.....	60	5
Joseph B. Foss	60	5
John P. Smith	60	5
John McDaniel	21	1
Henry Hughes	60	5
Levi Wentworth	60	5
Michael Casey.....	60	5
Samuel Dudley	60	5
Michael Cotter	60	5
Thomas McDermott.....	60	5
John Grimes	60	5
Joseph Tibbets	14	6
Joseph Pitman.....	60	5
William H. Hayes.....	44	2
William H. Allen.....	44	2
Ernest Hurd	60	5
Lucien B. Legg, jr	60	5
Frank Scriggins.....	60	5
William Moore	43	6
Joseph Granville	45	1
James Conley	60	5
James Conley, jr.....	27	4
Edward Conley.....	60	5

Charles Hawkins.....	60	5
Mark Whitehouse	31	4
Moses Beedee	60	5
John W. Cowan.....	3	
Charles Dearborn	8	6
Edward Downing	28	2
Terry Meaghan.....	4	1
Mark Gonier.....	60	5
John Gonier.....	60	5
Fred Gonier	60	5
Joseph Gonier.....	60	5
Tellis Gonier.....	18	
Walter Hill	11	
Ebenezer Hanscomb.....	60	5
Michael McHugh	60	5
Thomas McHugh	60	5
Francis McHugh.....	60	5
Golden Hayes.....	23	
Samuel Davis.....	43	4
Willie Davis.....	60	5
Stephen Roberts	60	5
Seymour Webber.....	13	2
William B. Marston.....	7	6
Nathaniel Elliott.....	11	2
John Delany		6
Samuel Ham	4	4
James Dobbins	3	5
William Patridge.....	60	5
G. Frank Page	60	5
Peter Gibson.....	1	3
Robert Cotter	5	5
John Mullen	9	2
Richard Towle	57	2
Frank White.....	56	1
Willis Wescott	55	
Willie Dearborn	1	5

Joseph Downing	53	2
William P. Foss.....	48	
Frank Hanlan	18	
Alonzo E. Curtis.....	9	1
John Carr.....	5	6
Clarence Wendall	50	4
John Burke	5	1
Patrick Meaghan.....	4	2
Charles Willey.....	43	4
Thomas Taylor	1	
Patrick Cassidy	13	1
John Davis.....	42	1
Fred Davis.....	42	1
Uranus Dyer	3	1
James Thompson	35	6
Charles Jepson	7	4
Joseph Langdon	6	2
Jesse Green.....	33	
Leonard Moses	32	3
James Elliott	14	2
Frank Willey	31	6
James Welch	21	1
Samuel Davis, jr.....	24	1
John H. Canney.....		3
Patrick McKey.....	24	
John Heiden.....	7	5
Daniel Berry	10	5
Marston M. Lee	10	3
James Higgins.....	3	2
Patrick Kay.....	19	1
Charles Canney.....	3	
Ebenezer Ford	2	2
Daniel Harvey.....	10	6
Nathaniel Foss.....	1	2
Jean Baptiste Martel	3	2
Seth Jenness	5	5

Patrick Fox.....	1	1
Silas Libbey.....	2	2
James Laughlin.....	2	2
Patrick McGuinness.....		5
Frank Agnew.....		5
John M. Howard.....	22	3
Jonathan H. Henderson.....	35	
John Meaghan.....	19	5
Thomas Mahoney.....	49	3
Charles Nason.....	20	
Arthur Horlor.....	60	2
James Lowry.....	14	
Eli Crane.....	21	3
Charles D. Marden.....	60	5
Patrick Ryan.....	37	1
Charles A. Marden.....	58	4
Napoleon Downing.....	39	1
Charles Howard.....	9	3
Ernest Howard.....	9	3
Joseph T. Patterson.....	40	2
Michael Dastha, jr.....	43	1
Isaac Nute, 2nd.....	28	3
Edwin Merrill.....	2	5
James Daley.....	15	3
John Sullivan.....	56	5
Harry L. Bounty.....	21	6
Emmon Bolo, jr.....	49	5
Charles E. Pierce.....	18	6
David Tuttle.....	36	
James Caton.....	30	4
James Hefferon.....	14	1
Richard Auty.....	20	6
Charles Lilly.....	26	6
David Arlin.....	9	5
Joseph Doyle.....	6	3
Martin Murphy.....	60	5

— Grady	17	2
— Grant	16	5
— Meaghan	5	
— Marden	3	4
Huldah Leathers	60	5
Bridget O'Rourke	60	5
Susan Henderson	60	5
Martha Canney	60	5
Clarissa Scates	60	5
Martha Meaghan	60	5
Catherine Witham	60	5
Abby Witham	60	5
Susan Pickering	60	5
Elizabeth McIntosh	60	5
Margaret Jordan	60	5
Emily Y. Grant	60	5
Hattie E. Grant	60	5
Lizzie Hayes	60	5
Phebe Whitehouse	60	5
Elizabeth Pickering	60	5
Mary Willey	60	5
Catherine Meaghan	60	5
Emma Willey	60	5
Mary Twombly	60	5
Elmira Howard	60	5
Sarah J. Hayes	60	5
Fanny Slottery	60	5
Mary Roberts	60	5
Mary L. Hawkins	60	5
Hannah Hawkins	60	5
Martha Hawkins	60	5
Mary Hawkins	60	5
Elmira Gray	60	5
Augusta Short	27	
Ellen Mason	60	5
Sarah A. Smith	60	5

Alice Murphy.....	60	5
Catherine Murphy.....	60	5
Hannah Bickford.....	60	5
Lydia Blaisdell.....	60	5
Nellie Hughes.....	60	5
Susan Woodus	13	2
Martha Jewell	60	5
Mary Ryan.....	37	5
Eunice Hayes.....	60	5
Eliza Twombly.....	60	5
Maria Gray.....	60	5
Abigail Ware	60	5
Annie Lord.....	60	5
Lucretia Piper.....	21	
Annie Meaghan.....	60	5
Hannah Brown.....	14	6
Julia Rhial.....	13	3
Ellen Bickford.....	31	3
Emma Lanegan.....	31	3
Alice Roberts.....	60	5
Susan Grant.....	20	
Ann Susan Carr.....	60	5
Julia Hayes.....	44	2
Sarah A. Hurd	60	5
Mary J. Austin.....	60	5
Sarah Foote.....	60	5
Elizabeth M. Gowen.....	11	
Mary Wilson	60	5
Elizabeth Wilson.....	60	5
Mary A. Webber	60	5
Clarissa Severance.....	35	
Nora Twindles.....	60	5
Bridget Cowan.....	3	
Lizzie Scriggins	3	
Emma Howard.....	2	
Julier Gonier	60	5

Mary Gonier.....	60	5
Georgia Gonier.....	60	5
Adaline Gonier.....	60	5
Jane Downing.....	60	5
Mary A. Downing.....	60	5
Hannah Hunt.....	8	6
Mary M. Hugh.....	60	5
Mary Welch.....	60	5
Annie Hughes.....	60	5
Ruth Sanborn.....	60	5
Lydia Davis.....	60	5
Mary Downey.....	60	5
Mary Downey, jr.....	60	5
Katie M. Tobey.....	60	5
Rosa Gonier.....	60	5
Margaret Canney.....	8	6
Delia France.....	2	
Hattie J. Evans.....	11	5
Margaret White.....	60	5
Julia A. Clark.....	25	4
Maggie White.....	2	4
Maud White.....	11	2
Lucy M. Page.....	56	
Amanda Harvey.....	54	
Luella Harvey.....	17	5
Mary E. Foss.....	53	1
Rebecca Foss.....	53	1
Mary C. Foss.....	53	1
Carrie Foss.....	53	1
Bridget E. McNulty.....	12	1
Margaret Shorey.....		1
Malinda Jenness.....	51	1
Sarah E. Swett.....	1	
Mary Willet.....	31	3
Eliza Burke.....	5	1
Ellen Keating.....	45	2

Nora Sewell.....	45	1
Mehitable Sanborn	4	2
Emma Corson.....	44	3
Ann Cassidy	7	4
Elizabeth Auty.....	43	6
Eliza Davis.....	42	1
Charlotte Bunker.....	41	2
Margaret E Rodden	1	4
Katurah Foss.....	27	
Hannah Liberty.....		4
Mary Liberty.....		4
Margaret Simpson.....	3	
Margaret Simpson, 2nd.....	3	
Sarah Moses	32	3
Margaret McCabe.....	31	2
Mary McCabe.....	31	2
Ida Witham.....	3	
Ann Maria Weeks		3
Maggie Syere.....	3	3
Annie Syere	3	3
Margaret Ellis.....	12	2
Ann Donald.....	21	5
Katie Durgin	21	5
Catherine Baldwin... ..	21	5
Elizabeth J. Lee.....	10	3
Ellen Greenwood.....	18	1
Mary Greenwood.....	18	1
Ann Donald.....	8	6
Sarah Donald.....	8	6
Ida Laffin.....	20	
Nancy S. Willey.....	19	6
Emeline Moses.....	11	1
Bridget Grady	17	2
Lavina Canney	3	
Pamelia Gipson	10	1
Mary E Sharpe	8	3

Elizabeth Dovine.....	5	1
Ellen Bro.....	1	2
Elizabeth Leathers.....	18	5
Sarah A. Place.....	7	
Isadore Hayes.....	60	3
Margaret Marden.....	60	5
Maria Rines.....	60	3
Emma Howard.....	9	3
Bertie Howard.....	9	3
Mary Slottery.....	51	
Phebe Gonier.....	51	5
Elizabeth Webber.....	29	4
Margaret Sullivan.....	55	6
Ellen Sullivan.....	55	6
Abby Tuttle.....	25	2
Mary A. Tuttle.....	25	2
Sarah Meaghan.....	49	5
Martha Evans.....	8	4
Mary J. Holbrook.....	37	3
Eliza Thompson.....	14	1
Hannah Arlin.....	9	5
Martha Howard.....	10	1
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Total.....	13,252	5

STATISTICS AT COUNTY FARM, MAY 1st, 1879.

Number in the Almshouse, March 1st, 1878.....	243
Admitted during 14 months.....	123
Born at the Farm during 14 months.....	6
Died, discharged and deserted, during 14 months.....	159
Number in Almshouse, May 1st, 1879.....	213

Largest number at any time during 14 months.....	243
Smallest " " ".....	211
Average Weekly number.....	218
Children provided with homes.....	8

AGES OF INMATES.

Under 5.....	20	40 to 50.....	18
5 to 10.....	18	50 to 60.....	24
10 to 20.....	18	60 to 70.....	25
20 to 30.....	22	70 to 80.....	18
30 to 40.....	39	80 to 90.....	11
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NATIONALITIES.

Americans	156
Irish	37
Canadians.....	12
English.....	8
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SEXES.

Males	119
Females	94
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INSANE AND IDIOTIC.

Insane	31
Idiotic.....	19
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	50

The 123 admitted during the year were from the several towns as follows :

Dover	56	New Durham.....	2
Somersworth.....	18	Durham	1
Rochester	11	Madbury.....	1
Barrington	9	Middleton.....	1
Rollinsford.....	9	Farmington.....	1
Milton.....	8	Lee.....	1
Strafford.....	5		<hr/>
			123

The 213 at the County Farm, May 1st, 1879, were from the several towns as follows :

Dover	88	Farmington	7
Somersworth	37	Strafford	6
Rochester	30	Durham	3
Barrington	10	Lee	3
Milton.....	10	Madbury.....	1
Rollinsford.....	7	Born at Farm.....	4
New Durham.....	7		<hr/>
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Unavailable for any kind of labor :

Males	56
Females.....	40
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	96

COST OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS AT THE
COUNTY FARM FOR FOURTEEN MONTHS
ENDING APRIL 30, 1879.

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To 14 months interest on \$40,000 at 5 per cent.....	\$2333 33
Amount paid for provisions, cloth- ing, salaries, labor, &c., in- cluding all the running ex- penses of the County Farm, Almshouse, and Insane Asylum.....	18368 10
Tax for the year 1878.....	341 10
Loss in inventory of personal prop- erty from March 1, 1878....	2040 91
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By sales of stock from Farm.....	577 71
Received from board of Paupers and Insane.....	2227 73
Sale of standing growth.....	125 00
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Actual cost of supporting Paupers.....	\$20,153 00

Number of weeks support furnished	13,252
Average cost per week	\$1 52
Increase per week over 1877	22

In making up the cost of supporting the paupers at the County Farm, it has been the practice heretofore to include as one item the interest at 6 per cent. on the actual cost of the real estate, which, with improvements and additions that have been made since the original purchase, amounted to \$53,237.01, March 1, 1878. Inasmuch as there has been a large depreciation of values within the last few years, it is believed that an expenditure at this time of, say \$40,000, would furnish accommodations equal to those now at the Farm, and this item has been accordingly reduced. The increased cost of supporting the Paupers for the last fourteen months over the twelve months next preceding is accounted for as follows:—1st. Owing to the ravages of the potato bug and the severe drouth that prevailed during the latter part of the season, the potato crop fell off last year from the year before some 1300 bushels, and this deficit had to be supplied by the purchase of other articles of food, at a cost of at least \$1000. 2nd. The inventory of personal property fell off several hundred dollars in the items of hay and grain, by being taken this year two months later in the season than a year ago. 3rd. The number of paupers supported at the Farm for the fourteen months last past has averaged about 20 less than the year before, thereby increasing the cost per capita, as many of the expenses of operating the Farm are necessarily the same, whether the number of paupers supported be greater or less.

C. E. CASWELL, *Superintendent.*

Paid for support of County Paupers located in the several towns in the county for the year ending February 28, 1879:—

Dover.....	\$2850 35
Somersworth.....	1952 49
Rochester.....	878 14
Farmington.....	772 63
Strafford.....	605 68
Rollinsford.....	404 07
Barrington.....	344 22

New Durham.....	204 07
Durham	133 92
Madbury	98 50
Milton	73 25
Lee.....	47 77
Middleton.....	12 71
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	\$8377 80
Additional aid has been furnished county	
paupers for house rent, board, medi-	
cal attendance, &c., amounting to..	326 90
Paid to State Reform School.....	56 57
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Cost of paupers off the Farm.....	8761 27
Cost of paupers at the Farm.....	20,153 00
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Total pauper expense.....	\$28,914 27

In presenting our twelfth annual report, we desire to state as concisely and succinctly as possible a few points for the consideration of the people of the county. At the last session of the Legislature a law was passed making it obligatory for the Commissioners of all the counties to take an inventory and close their reports on the 30th of April. In the past there has been no uniform system in this matter—the time at which the report should be made having been optional with the Commissioners—some counties closing their reports on Feb. 28, others on April 30 of each year. While there is no doubt whatever that such a uniform plan is a great improvement over the old method, for it enables the tax payers to determine whether their affairs have been as economically and judiciously administered by their representatives as by the Commissioners in other counties, yet in the present instance it will work disadvantageously with us, for our report is

for a period of fourteen months, and as a result it will decrease our inventory from that of last year, and, in addition, such a change prevents all comparison of relative expenses with the report of last year or any other year covering a different period of time, which is a far more essential point for the people of this County than to know what is being or what has been accomplished in other counties. The cost per capita for the support of the paupers at the Farm this year is \$1.52 per week, an increase of 22 cents over that of last year. When this result is compared with the cost in some other counties; when it is remembered that the yield of potatoes, which is an essential article of diet here, was small, owing to the severe drought and the ravages of the potato bug; when it is understood that the average cost of support for the ten preceding years was \$1.60 per week, we believe that a favorable showing has been made. In this report has been incorporated, in accordance with a law passed last June, not only the number, as has been the case in preceding years, but the names and the number of weeks of every pauper that has been supported at the Farm.

Among these names it must be remembered that there are not a few who have been sent here from the police courts—it having been left optional with the individual whether he would become incarcerated in jail or serve his sentence at the Farm. In every such instance there has been a saving to the County, for every individual so sent has more than paid the cost of his support in labor, and at the same time supplied the place of help that it would have been necessary to have paid for. The majority of those who have been inmates of the County House throughout the year are old and infirm persons, but at the same time it is true that there are some, who, if they chose to be good citizens, might support themselves; and yet, in *every* such case, they more than pay their board in labor. To cultivate the number of acres that are owned by the County, and which are needed to raise produce necessary for the support of the paupers, help is needed, and if these few are so blind to their own interests as to labor for their board, then it is a profitable and economical arrangement

for the County, for otherwise it would be absolutely necessary to supply their places by hired help, for little assistance in such a direction could be rendered by those who are old, infirm or imbecile, and at the same time if they were not here the greater part of their time would be spent in jail at a constant expense and outlay to the County without any equivalent rendered to the tax payers. Such persons can be supported at a much less relative expense at the County Farm than at the jail.

It was confidently expected, and with good reason, that the amount of money the Commissioners recommended last year be raised for County expenses would be ample for ordinary expenses and probable contingencies, and there is every reason to believe that their expectations would have been realized had it not been for unforeseen contingencies. As a result of a change made in extending the time of making up the report, by the last Legislature, it has been necessary to meet the expenses of the last three terms of Court, and ordinarily the County has been obliged to pay for only two terms each year. In addition to the usual expenses attending Court, the County has been compelled this year to pay for the trial of John Q. Pinkham for murder. The expenses of that case alone amounted to upwards of \$2000. The expenses of jury alone were \$1050. In past years the tax payers have been paying at the rate of 6 or 7 per cent. per annum on their notes. During the year that has just elapsed these notes have been called in, and we have negotiated loans with parties at the more favorable rate of 5 per cent. per annum. It has long been apparent that the means of escape from the main building in case of fire were altogether inadequate, but by reason of the fact that more pressing changes were demanded about the Farm calling for an expenditure of money, and with the desire to keep all expenses at the lowest possible figure, this has been neglected from year to year.

During the last Spring an efficient and yet inexpensive fire escape has been placed on the southerly end of main building. It is easy of access to all—old and young—and it is difficult to see now how any accident or loss of life could happen in such a con-

tingency. Outside it is connected with second and third stories, and within by a flight of stairs extending to fourth story.

The small barn located south from the main barn has been repaired and remodeled. It has long been in an unsuitable condition for use. The expense attending this improvement has been about \$500. In its present condition it will prove useful for a variety of purposes. School has been kept at the Farm 36 weeks during the last year, and the attendance has averaged about 40 pupils. The scholars are taught the English branches, and they have manifested a commendable degree of proficiency. It is doubtful if any of the money expended for County expenses is more judiciously applied than in providing the children of such as are inmates with an education. One of the chief factors in producing criminals and paupers is ignorance, and there are many reasons to believe that with the opportunities these children possess here for an education they will become good and useful citizens, of benefit to themselves and to the community, rather than a disadvantage. Miss Caswell, during the year, as for several years past, has been instructor of the school and from personal supervision we can commend her for her faithful teaching and excellent discipline. Last year a wood lot was purchased for \$200. During the winter months this wood was cut by the inmates of the almshouse. By this purchase, and by utilizing labor that would not otherwise have been employed, there was a saving in the item of wood of about one-half of what it would have cost provided it had been cut all ready for use.

Last year we noted in our report the advantages the County derived pecuniarily from the erection of the Asylum for the Insane. Another year's observation has confirmed our opinion, and convinced us that the money expended in its construction could not have been more profitably used. Every apartment is now occupied, and had it not been constructed there would have been no other alternative than to send the insane to Concord at a large and constant outlay to the County. Religious services have been held frequently during the year in the school-room at the Farm by the clergymen of Dover and neighboring towns, and Mr. Mel-

len, who is a visitor at the almshouses of the different counties of the State. We are indebted to all these gentlemen for their gratuitous services. The Commissioners have repeatedly commended Mr. and Mrs. Caswell for their judicious and economical management, excellent discipline and care of those under their supervision. We can unhesitatingly and without any mental reservation reiterate what we and our predecessors have already said of them. Without making any invidious distinction, we believe there is no almshouse in the State more ably or frugally managed than this. The position of Superintendent or Matron of an almshouse is not in any sense a sinecure. To manage the unruly without disturbance ; to attend to the calls and wants of the old and infirm ; to conduct the affairs of so large an establishment indoors and out well, demands peculiar talents, and such as those in charge here have.

The Medical Department since April 1, 1878, has been under the charge of Charles A. Fairbanks, M. D., who brought to the discharge of his duties a thorough professional education, and his faithful and efficient treatment of his patients is entitled to, and has, our unqualified commendation.

Samuel J. Smith has been keeper of the County Jail, and that portion of his duties which have come under our supervision have been discharged to our entire satisfaction.

EPHRAIM H. WHITEHOUSE,	}	<i>County Commissioners.</i>
JOHN BARTLETT,		
WILLIAM PITT MOSES,		

County Treasurer's Report.

COUNTY OF STRAFFORD

In acc't with

HARRY HOUGH, TREASURER,

For the fourteen months ending April 30, 1879.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Treasury March 1, 1878.....	1217 81
Hired of Hannah E. Lang.....	600 00
George Lang.....	2000 00
Abby A. Clark.....	1000 00
Hired of Nancy P. Demeritt.....	1000 00
Harley C. White.....	600 00
Daniel Furber.....	500 00
Cochecho Nat. Bank.....	10,000 00
Pike H. Harvey.....	600 00
Jacob D. Young.....	1000 00
Frank Hobbs.....	5000 00
A. M. Hanson.....	1500 00

Hired of Cochecho Nat. Bank.....	20,000	00
Helen M. Meserve	700	00
Rec'd of Geo. E. Durgin, costs and fines.....	1000	34
Strafford, county tax.....	1995	21
Somersworth, " "	9646	50
Rollinsford, " "	4224	09
Rochester, " "	8460	15
New Durham, " "	976	63
Milton, " "	1995	21
Middletown, " "	467	34
Madbury, " "	754	93
Lee, " "	1533	86
Durham, " "	2109	04
Dover, " "	21,785	51
Barrington, " "	2049	14
Farmington, " "	4002	39
J. K. Purington, for Ed. E. Varney	136	21
" " Moses Beede	61	52
E. H. Whitehouse, for Saml. M. Weeks ...	6	25
Uriah Wiggin, for oxen from County Farm.	351	33
Libbeus Hill, for standing growth on Kim- ball lot.....	125	00
Somersworth, for support of paupers	464	19
Rochester, for support of paupers	348	75
" for support of prisoners	168	04
Dover, for support of paupers.....	560	31
Rollinsford, for support of prisoners.....	69	56
Strafford, for support of paupers.....	113	25
Farmington, for support of paupers.....	97	00
" for support of prisoners	76	81
Joshua Ham, steers from County Farm....	43	00
Chas. H. Lane, horse " "	25	00
Bridget E. McNulty, board of self and child	22	47
George E. Durgin, costs and fines.....	300	00
C. E. Caswell, from Jeremiah D. Evans, for board of Austin Yelding.....	163	75

Rec'd of C. E. Caswell, from David G. Brewster, for board of Nancy S. Willey.....	19 50
Parshly & Walker, oxen from County Farm	158 38
C. E. Caswell, from E. A. Stevens, for board of Ann Susan Carr.....	151 43
J. K. Purington, for board of Moses Beede.	89 35
Total Receipts,	<u>\$110,269 25</u>

EXPENDITURES.

NOTES PAID.

Wm. H. H. Young.....	\$1000
A. Burnham Hill.....	1000
Cochecho Nat. Bank.....	10,000
Margaret Hanson	500
Wm. P. Sherburne.....	1200
James A. Kelsey	2500
Cochecho Nat. Bank.....	20,000
Nancy P. Demeritt	1000
Grace A. Demeritt.....	600
Cyrus L. Jenness.....	3000
George Lang	1000
Charles Jones.....	800
“ “	500
Orah G. Chesley	500
A. M. Hanson.....	1500
Polly Stanton.....	696
Hannah E. Lang.....	600
Total Notes Paid,	<u>\$46,396</u>

INTEREST PAID.

Albert Demeritt.....	28 00
Laura A. Berry	38 50
Cochecho Nat. Bank.....	255 00
Cyrus L. Jenness.....	180 00
Samuel F. Seavey	70 00
Jacob D. Young.....	70 00
J. Frank Griffin.....	30 00
Lizzie Farnham.....	28 00
A. Burnham Hill.....	70 00
“ “	2 14
Jonathan Jenkins.....	170 00
Jeremiah Drew	38 50
John McDaniel	35 00
Joseph D. Guppy	280 00
A. F. Seavey	35 00
Cochecho Nat. Bank.....	410 00
Thomas Bennett	175 00
“ “	58 34
Olive Branch Lodge No. 6 K. of P.	84 00
L. A. Webster	30 00
John McDaniel	78 00
Nancy P. Demeritt	60 00
Charles R. Meserve.....	60 00
Jeremiah Drew	18 00
John McDaniel.....	105 00
John Emerson.....	12 00
True Wm. McDaniel.....	54 00
Jas. A. Kelsey	125 00
St. Thomas church	70 00
Strafford County Mutual Relief	120 00
Chas. R. Meserve	30 00
Margaret Hanson	30 00
W. P. Sherburne	128 20

Abby A. Kelsey.....	85 00
Janet A. Kelsey	24 30
Nancy P. Demeritt	43 89
Grace A. Demeritt	34 09
Cyrus L. Jenness.....	153 00
Polly Stanton.....	41 76
George Lang.....	219 59
Charles Jones	82 28
“ “	47 62
Orah G. Chesley	26 31
A. M. Hanson.....	70 00
Polly Stanton.....	13 34
Harley C. White.....	30 00
Hannah E. Lang.....	31 59
Laura A. Berry	27 50
Frank E. Tibbetts.....	60 00
Ellen F. Jenkins	180 00
Samuel F. Seavey	60 00
J. F. Griffin.....	30 00
Albert Demeritt.....	20 00
Lizzie Farnham	28 00
Coupons.....	453 60
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Total Interest Paid,	\$8,831 96

COUNTY FARM EXPENSE.

R. Burnham, mason work.....	42 62
C. E. Caswell, services as Supt. for self and wife to Mar. 1, 1878	1000 00
C. E. Caswell, bal. of acc't to Mar. 1, 1878	49 89
E. V. Brewster & Co., boots, shoes and repairing	258 65
Spurr, Washburn & Holmes, groceries	275 18
Watson, Smith & Co., beans.....	44 85

Whitehouse & Varney, groceries	357 83
Libbey & Co., printing	4 00
Edward Morrill, chairs and mattresses.....	32 50
A. G. Fenner, M. D., medicine and attendance for quarter ending Mar. 31, 1878	100 00
Ira W. Nute & Co., dry goods.....	152 15
Uriah Wiggin, beef, &c.	443 13
Moore, Ayer & Co., flour.....	264 60
Spurr, Washburn & Holmes, groceries	195 71
H. A. Worthen, repairing carriages, &c.	38 15
C. E. Caswell, expenses	300 00
Watson, Smith & Co., flour, butter, &c.	250 75
H. P. Copp, mackerel	51 00
Thomas L. Tibbetts, wagon	125 00
Lothrop & Pinkham, medicine	179 35
Redfield & Buck, insurance	37 50
J. H. Rundlett, labor and piping.....	18 29
Spurr, Washburn & Holmes, groceries	231 81
E. & F. King & Co., oil vitriol	24 50
D. Foss & Son, corn & grinding	91 62
Moore, Ayer & Co., molasses, &c.....	83 98
Potter & Wrightington, fish	45 00
Spurr, Washburn & Holmes, groceries	70 70
C. E. Caswell, expenses	300 00
Watson, Smith & Co., pork, flour and beans.....	298 87
Henry Mayo & Co., fish.....	24 45
C. E. Caswell, expenses	300 00
Spurr, Washburn & Holmes, groceries	231 02
James H. Kennedy, repairing slate roof	77 00
Daniel A. Page, boots, shoes and repairing.....	137 62
David Legro, mason work	50 50
Potter, Wrightington & Co., fish	17 20
Watson, Smith & Co., flour	150 00
Daniel Trefethren, lime	68 02
R. Haley & Co., coal & seed.....	705 16
Briggs & Shattuck, tea	32 35

Hayes Bros., lead pipe.....	47 95
Watson, Smith & Co., pork and beans	163 33
Puffier, Sanborn & Co., quilts, prints, &c.....	68 87
Foot & Snell, hardware	64 05
Geo. F. Rollins & Co., hardware	27 33
Redfield & Buck, insurance on brick building	30 00
W. H. K. Fernald, work around spring.....	23 00
D. Lothrop & Co., clothing	109 65
Samuel G. Davis, fish	21 20
M. D. Page, hats, caps and hose.....	43 95
C. E. Caswell, expenses	300 00
E. J. Lane & Co., stationery, &c.....	19 67
Spurr, Washburn & Holmes, groceries.....	94 13
D. Foss & Son, corn.....	10 00
J. H. Winslow, boots, shoes and repairing	43 24
W. T. Perkins, pipe-fitting and labor.....	47 40
Whitehouse & Varney, groceries	405 29
Wm. A. Morrill, crockery, glass-ware, &c.	70 83
Geo. W. Parker, beef	78 20
Nahum F. Hoyt, lumber and labor for school-room..	15 32
Hayes Bros., hardware	14 18
C. E. Caswell, expenses	400 00
Briggs & Shattuck, oil.....	13 79
Watson, Smith & Co., flour.....	625 00
Spurr, Washburn & Holmes, groceries.....	276 31
J. A. Clough & Son, grain and grinding	203 87
Geo. A. Webster, labor.....	33 75
H. P. Copp, corned fish.....	72 92
John L. Shortridge, labor from Mar. 1st to Nov. 5th..	71 90
Puffier, Sanborn & Co., dry goods.....	140 23
Morse, Shepard & Co., dry goods	158 42
Knowles, Leland & Co., clothing.....	178 37
A. B. Tallant, Durham bull.....	45 00
C. E. Caswell, expenses	400 00
J. A. Clough & Son, grain and grinding	113 66
Watson, Smith & Co., butter and groceries.....	207 26

Joseph C. Burley, horse	165 00
Geo. N. Harvey, yoke steers	112 50
Wm. H. Pike, lumber.....	50 00
C. E. Caswell, expenses	400 00
Spurr, Washburn & Holmes, groceries.....	51 83
Watson, Smith & Co., beans.....	56 78
Geo. B. Prescott, insurance	25 00
J. A. Clough & Son, grain and grinding	135 95
Ira W. Nute & Co., dry goods.....	118 38
Joseph Hayes, coll. tax.....	341 10
C. T. Henderson, salt.....	30 36
D. H. Wendell, insurance.....	40 00
Oliver Wyatt, coats.....	3 75
Oliver B. Locke, bricks, hydraulic ram and labor....	26 60
W. S. Draper & Co., fish	20 00
Folsom & Roberts, paints, oil, glass and glazing.....	45 81
Daniel Trefethren, cement, lime, hair, &c.	4 12
Henry Law, repairing harness	19 01
Clark Bros., paints and labor	15 68
Moore, Ayer & Co., groceries	142 85
H. A. Redfield & Co., insurance	37 50
Thomas L. Tibbetts, coffins and repairing wagon	125 50
Mary S. Marx, standing growth near farm.....	200 00
Moulton & Cate, furnace, repairing tinware, &c.....	331 64
Wm. R. Brown, teams for commissioners to farm.....	36 50
J. Converse, posts, shingles, etc.	35 26
J. Frank Seavey & Co., clothing	269 30
Wm. Pitt Moses, beef.....	19 65
W. H. K. Fernald, beef	13 75
Watson, Smith & Co., groceries.....	90 00
O. C. Ingraham, boots and shoes	13 15
S. S. Chick, clothing.....	55 00
Hayes Bros., hardware	12 55
D. A. Page, boots, shoes and repairing.....	89 50
C. E. Caswell.....	400 00
Benjamin Collins, services about spring and barn....	7 50

John B. Hull, blacksmith work.....	124 38
Chas. W. Norris & Co., repairing boots and shoes....	28 97
Foot & Snell, hardware.....	30 48
E. J. Lane & Co., stationery and books.....	20 80
A. G. Fenner, medical attendance.....	5 00
B. Frank Nealley, dry goods	70 38
Moore, Ayer & Co., flour and groceries	741 11
Whitehouse & Varney, groceries, crockery ware, etc...	300 08
Knapp & Moses, insurance.....	20 00
J. T. W. Ham, boys' caps and mittens	55 97
Geo. B. Prescott, insurance	20 00
J. A. Clough & Son, grain and grinding	130 24
E. V. Brewster, boots, shoes and repairing	200 59
H. A. Worthen, repair of carriages	9 00
W. H. Vickery, medicines	273 02
Chas. A. Tufts, insurance on Trickey house, barn and hay	60 00
Dennis Shea, drain pipe.....	3 75
Spurr, Washburn & Holmes, groceries.....	152 90
C. E. Caswell, expenses	400 00
Moore, Ayer & Co., flour and fish.....	232 38
Joseph N. Hayes, vinegar	9 00
Morse, Shepard & Co., dry goods	43 57
J. W. Deering, lumber for repairing barn.....	238 86
Geo. W. Horne, brick.....	5 00
Geo. W. Parker, beef	43 10
Hayes Bros., sundries	1 50
Watson, Smith & Co., butter	58 95
Parshley & Walker, beef.....	158 20

Total County Farm Expense,

\$18,777 77

COURT EXPENSE.

C. M. Murphy, stationery for clerk's office and court.	15 13
Albert R. Hatch, referee in action Lyman & als vs. B. & M. R. R.	82 00
Jas. A. Edgerly, referee in action John Hurd vs. Hiram Berry	10 00
Frank Hobbs, cash advanced W. L. Foster, for services as referee.....	45 00
S. S. Chick, services of self and deputies at February Court	460 88
H. L. Bartlett, services of Geo. Wm. Burleigh as refer- ee in actions No. 143 and 186.....	20 00
H. D. Freeman, refreshments for jury Feb'y Court ...	24 00
D. C. Wiggin, use of carpet at Pinkham trial.....	15 00
W. J. Walker, entertaining jury Mar. 5th to Mar. 11th	193 00
S. H. Brownell, labor and lumber at Pinkham trial...	19, 90
Adaline B. Canney, one-half fine case State vs. John D. Mahoney.....	25 00
H. H. Metcalf, docket Feb. term, '78.....	75 00
Wm. R. Burleigh, referee in action Daniel Davis vs. Newhall	7 50
Thomas J. Smith, referee in action No. 145 Woodman vs. Felker and als	25 00
Cyrus K. Sanborn, money advanced Judge Foster for services as referee in actions Nos. 41 and 49 Civil Docket, Feb., 1878.....	20 00
Geo. N. Eastman, services as auditor in action No. 86 Locke vs. N. & R. R. R.	12 85
Geo. F. Wentworth, cleaning and repairing carpet for clerk's office	3 75
C. B. Shackford, six months' salary to July 19, '78 ...	175 00
Wm. L. Foster, services as referee in Libel for divorce Roberts vs. Roberts.....	15 00
W. P. Hayes, lumber and labor about court room....	6 00

Wm. L. Foster, services as referee in actions Copeland vs. Colbath and Fairbanks et als vs. Dodge.....	30 00
Wm. L. Foster, services as referee in action Roberts vs. Roberts.....	15 00
Wm. T. Mason, one-half fine, No. 170.....	25 00
A. J. Shurtleff, services as reporter, Sept. term.....	150 00
Geo. E. Cochrane, services as referee in action Libbey vs. Drew....	20 00
Henry D. Freeman, refreshments for jury.....	64 00
Joseph H. Worcester, paid J. F. Wiggin, services as referee in action Perkins vs. Paine.....	33 50
S. S. Chick, services and expenses of self and deputies	498 88
Geo. E. Cochrane, extra services as referee in action Libby vs. Drew	5 00
John Kivel, services as referee in action Dodge vs. Gorman	10 00
William Horn, one-half fine in Nos. 116, 130, 31, 134, 144, 141, 8, 149, 152, 159, 60, 61, 166, 167, 168	375 00
Thomas J. Smith, services as referee in actions Sargent vs. Parshly, and Witham vs. Young	35 00
Frank Hobbs, services as referee in action Laughlin vs. Laughlin.....	11 62
Geo. E. Durgin, services and expenses as referee in actions Horne vs. Horne, Keeley vs. Keeley, Jordan vs. Cushing, Hutchins vs. Rogers.....	48 00
Thomas J. Smith, services of J. A. Wiggin as referee, Perkins vs. Perkins	20 00
Joshua Converse, services as referee in action Hanson vs. Stackpole	10 00
Joshua G. Hall, services as referee in actions Nos. 22 and 23....	20 00
Ephraim H. Whitehouse, services as referee in action Hanson vs. Tuttle & als	15 00
Whitehouse & Varney, brooms, matches and wood for court.....	7 30

Smith Emerson, tickets furnished jury and sheriff to Rochester and return, case Glidden vs. Henderson	7 80
Chas S. Ela, one-half fine case State vs. Wm. Low....	25 00
Thomas J. Smith, referee in action Smart vs. Mooney	12 00
Lewis W. Clark, referee in actions Hall vs. Hall, Bates, Clue & Co. vs. Rossiter, Johnson vs. Conlen, Re- gan vs. Rines, Regan vs. McGaugh.....	35 00
Lewis W. Clark, referee in actions Dore vs. Dore, Elile vs. Hughes, Kennedy vs. Johnson, Drew vs. Dover, Laughlin vs. Rines	65 00
Press Publishing Co., printing dockets Feb. trial term 1879	55 00
John Mathes, referee in action John F. Jones vs. John Hollon	36 20
Geo. E. Cochrane, referee in action Blanchet vs. Ital- ien & als	6 50
John C. Varney, newspapers for court	4 14
W. P. Hayes, referee in action Seavey vs. Hall	10 00
Stephen S. Chick, services of self and deputies Feb. term, 1879	483 99
Geo. N. Eastman, services as referee in actions Tuttle vs. Hurd, and Tuttle & als vs. Hurd	31 35
Joseph H. Worcester, services as referee in action Lord vs. Smith.....	17 00
Town of Rochester, cost in case State vs. Geo. D. Richardson	25 00
A. T. Pierce & Co., 26 meals for jury and prisoners..	13 00
Wm. R. Burleigh, services as referee in actions Tufts vs. Howard, and Burkmar vs. Beacham.....	30 00
State vs. Thos. Campbell, Feb. term, 1873 in part...	\$1 37
Lyman Hodsdon, " " " ...	2 14
John Riley, Sept. term, 1873, in full	77
Geo. T. Wentworth, Feb. term, 1874, in full,.	1 50
Frank Colbath, Sept. term, 1875, in full.....	10 52
Wm. J. Witham, Feb. term, 1876, in part...	3 35
" " Sept. " " " ...	1 97

	John Ricker	"	"	"	in full ...	1	50
State vs.	John Gorman	Sept. term, 1876,			in full	3	51
	City of Dover	"	"	"	"	1	37
	Clinton W. Curtis,	Feb. term, 1877,			in part...		77
	J. T. G. Tuttle	"	"	"	in full....	1	37
	E. H. Cocking	"	"	"	"	1	37
	Henry Keenan	"	"	"	in part...	1	50
	C. E. Blackmar	"	"	"	"	1	50
	Sarah J. Drew	"	"	"	in full....	1	50
	Ezra Gordan	"	"	"	in part...	6	84
	J. F. Chase	"	"	"	" ...	2	74
	J. W. Ricker	"	"	"	in full....	1	37
	C. Downs	"	"	"	"	10	87
	Willie Cate	"	"	"	"	1	37
	Jas. Hughes	"	"	"	"	2	14
	C. Marston,	Sept.	"	"	"		77
	Geo. Westly	"	"	"	"		77
	Jas. O'Brien	"	"	"	"	1	54
	Cath. McKone	"	"	"	"		77
	John Morgan	"	"	"	"		77
	Jas. Reynolds	"	"	"	"	2	22
	John Gorman	"	"	"	"		77
	M. Hawley	"	"	"	"	1	54
	Frank Jewett	"	"	"	"	1	50
	H. A. Lord	"	"	"	"	3	41
	Chas. E. Hoit	"	"	"	in part....	4	32
	John W. Varney	"	"	"	"		37
	C. W. Howe	"	"	"	"	6	26
	Jackson & Dixon	"	"	"	in full....	1	50
	T. L. Young	"	"	"	in part....	1	54
	John D. Otis	"	"	"	"	5	86
	Petit Jury	"	"	"	in full....	4	52

FEBRUARY TERM, 1878, IN FULL.

State vs.	Chas. W. Howe,	23	50
	Samuel Grant.....	37	11

State vs. Amasa Dame.....	32	27
John Q. Pinkham	1050	25
J. H. Hanson.....	19	09
Emma J. Silver.....	44	51
A. B. Tallant	50	69
Chas. H. Downs	13	02
John W. Delany.....	11	81
Geo. W. Lovejoy.....	22	87
Lizzie Conley.....	11	30
Margaret Burns	11	30
Boston & Maine R. R.	3	22
Jas. M. Sanborn.....	25	34
Margaret Meehan	10	68
James Hefferon	21	30
Fred Sawyer.....	11	75
J. H. Fitzgerald	12	89
John D. Mahoney.....	19	38
Chas. M. Robinson.....	27	12
Eben Copen	4	49
Andrew J. Bean	80	00
Thomas McCabe et als.....	50	00
Rufus Clark	1	97
E. H. Quimby	35	90
Stephen Wheeler.....	8	48
Petit Jury.....	358	52
Petit Jury.....	99	61
Petit Jury.....	71	60
Geo. Lewis.....	38	74
Eliza Burke	9	50
Tuttle & Twombly.....	17	00
Orrin Kimball	21	27
Catherine McKone	19	70
Wm. H. Lynch	13	81
Thomas Hughes.....	17	34
Dunn & Roberts	28	28
Bridget O'Brien.....	21	67

State vs. Edward R. Hall.....	21	59
Pat. Burke	16	26
John Selden	65	70
John E. Kennedy et als	58	74
Jas. Dobbin.....	12	22
John W. Delaney.....	14	50
Abigail Brown	13	83

FEBRUARY TERM, 1878, IN PART.

State vs. Geo. E. Caswell.....	1	50
Michael Kiloren.....	49	03
Jacob N. Young.....	9	84
Fred Sawyer	10	64
Jas. Conley	14	54
Edwin Hodgdon	12	82
B. McLaughlin.....	10	16
Daniel Cronin	15	09
Michael Conlen.....	9	99
J. H. Twombly	9	84
McCabe & York.....	12	16
Frank C. Smith	46	62
Alvin Lewis	13	29
Thomas Hughes	9	84
Chas. Kershaw.....	64	47
McNeil & Bean	91	37
John Grant.....	22	58
Wm. J. Witham	7	74
Mary Cassidy.....	13	81
Grand Jury	172	00
Petit Jury.....	125	12
Petit Jury.....	686	36

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1878, IN FULL.

State vs. Bridget Caverley	11	69
Fred Sawyer	21	23

State vs. Michael Reynolds et als	36 00
Pat Burke et als	39 12
Joseph Pequase	30 28
Amasa Dame et als	50 40
Mary Cassidy	2 62
Samuel Grant et als	18 94
John A. Smith	13 06
John E. Kennedy	16 25
Pat Farrell	3 99
Fred Eyers	17 90
Augustus Cowan	17 36
Jacob N. Young	12 94
P. Hartigan et als	40 00
Jacob K. Twombly	11 81
Peirce & Cushman	2 62
Joseph H. Hanson	21 02
John W. Ricker	11 81
Hanlon & Markey	30 94
Cath. Westly	11 38
Pat. Cassidy	24 43
Michael Conlon	36 70
John D. Durgin	25 51
Jacob K. Twombly	11 81
Samuel Davis, jr	23 00
Nellie Regan	43 24
Joseph H. Nutter	64 68
James Fogarty	6 22
Henry D. Freeman	2 62
Tuttle & Twombly	8 96
Pat Durnin	35 68
James Laughlin	22 75
John W. Delaney	39 29
Chas. E. Lord	31 40
Bridget O'Brien	22 38
Eliza Burke	34 98
Geo. L. Wentworth	9 45

State vs. Henry Youngster et als.....	22 00
Samuel H. Rines.....	19 52
James Jenness	36 89
Samuel Howe.....	31 24
Chas. H. Horne	23 61
Fred Brilt.....	29 99
Chas. E. Lord	28 70
John McGuinness	21 09
Geo. L. Wentworth et als.....	85 18
Wm. E. Lord.....	2 50
Michael Howley	71 94
Geo. L. Wentworth.....	125 48
John D. Mahoney.....	40 19
Charles Orne	22 06
John Gorman.....	29 73
Grand Jury.....	187 01
Petit Jury	1043 04
Petit Jury.....	712 32

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1878, IN PART.

James Wilson.....	15 63
Thomas Luny	25 17
John Goddard.....	26 92
Henry Knox	88 99
Wm. Stewart	14 52
Lewis Davis et als.....	24 19
James Hoye.....	15 61
Michael Sherry.....	40 73
Mary Burke	21 33
Jean Ellis.....	21 16
Isaac Jenness.....	26 96

FEBRUARY TERM, 1879, IN FULL.

State vs. Thomas Wentworth.....	32 48
Hugh Stanley.....	15 29

State vs. True W. Woodman	25	51
Henry Barrows	31	02
Geo. L. Wentworth	44	36
Eleazer C. Hayes	3	94
Noah T. Joy	13	64
Irving Cater	31	64
Wm. Low	21	49
Fred Furbush	42	46
Hugh McIntyre	28	95
Owen Tonor	8	74
Edward Hughes	16	22
Josiah W. Smith	1	37
Wm. G. Hall	54	62
James Hayes et als	21	01
John McKillop	26	91
John Cummings	15	62
Joseph H. Hanson	42	19
John W. Delaney	10	31
John D. Durkan	12	62
Nat. Durnin	11	23
Smith & Fallard	5	62
Pat Cassidy	23	55
Edward Hughes	19	73
Augustus Cowan	198	67
Augustus Cowan	9	79
Thomas Ryan	22	42
Wm. Rothwell	17	04
Darius G. Hanscom	10	92
David H. Jenness et als	17	90
Joseph Roderick et als	10	50
Geo Abbott et als	6	00
Petit Jury	283	76
Petit Jury	735	76
Grand Jury	151	96
Pat Cassidy	9	88
James Hefferon	13	30

State vs. Alfred Davis et als.....	8 00
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FEBRUARY TERM, 1879, IN PART.

Chas. Jackson	29 61
Geo. D. Richardson	47 81
Luther Wentworth	1 37
H. S. Thompson.....	3 17
Geo. L. Wentworth.....	26 58
Etta Parker	45 72
Edward A. Johnson et als.....	20 63
John Adams.....	14 53
Peter Gibson.....	19 20
Barney Clark.....	10 78
Whitehouse and Pine	93 78
Geo. L. Wentworth.....	17 88
Geo. L. Wentworth	13 91

Total Court expenses.....	\$13,688 55
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 PAUPER EXPFNSE.

Town of Barrington, support of paupers, 1877.....	\$176 51
G. W. Peavy, medical attendance Chas. Pease, transient pauper	8 00
Geo S. Evans, board of J. H. Evans, from March 1, 1877 to March 1, 1878.....	26 00
True W. Woodman, one year's house rent for Henry Hall and family....	60 00
Annie Drew, board of Joshua B. Drew	18 00
L. G. Hill, surgical and medical services, Samuel Brown's family, Madbury	29 50
Town of Durham, support of paupers.....	133 92

Town of Middleton	"	"	.....	12	71
Milton	"	"	.....	73	25
Lee	"	"	.....	47	77
Somersworth	"	"	.....	1952	49
Barrington	"	"	.....	344	22
Rochester	"	"	.....	878	14
Dover	"	"	.....	2850	35
New Durham	"	"	.....	204	07
Rollinsford	"	"	.....	404	07
Madbury	"	"	.....	98	50
Asa A. Fox, keeping 74 tramps, and medical attendance Nathan Jones				31	40
Town of Strafford, support of paupers.....				605	68
Farmington " "				772	63
Geo. T. Evans, support of Jas. H. Evans 1 year to Mar. 1, 1879				26	00
Total pauper expense.....				\$8753	21

JAIL EXPENSE.

John R. Ham, medical attendance at jail.....	3	00
D. Lothrop & Co., clothing ..	19	75
S. S. Chick & Co., blankets and sheets	54	21
Samuel J. Smith, board and turnkeys.....	855	96
E. Morrill, chairs and mattresses.....	4	50
Samuel J. Smith, board of prisoners	100	00
Lothrop & Pinkham, medicine.....	7	40
Samuel J. Smith, board of prisoners.....	100	00
Daniel Gage, cistern brick.....	42	50
Daniel A. Page, boots, shoes and repairing.....	10	25
Samuel J. Smith, board of prisoners	300	00

W. P. Hayes, lumber and labor.....	85	18
R. Haley & Co., coal and seed.....	6	15
G. F. Rollins & Co., hardware.....	1	80
Royal R. Burnham, stock and labor.....	83	79
D. H. Wendall, insurance on jail house	25	00
Samuel J Smith, board and turnkeys of prisoners, labor and material on cistern.....	665	28
Joseph Mann, water	12	00
J. H. Winslow, boots, shoes and repairing.....	28	63
W. T. Perkins, pipe fitting and labor	29	73
Samuel J. Smith, board of prisoners	150	00
Nahum F. Hoyt, lumber, nails and labor on jail fence ..	20	12
J. V. & D. E. Hanson, lumber for jail fence	4	17
Folsom & Roberts, paints, oils, glass and glazing	10	41
Daniel Trefethen, cement, lime, hair, etc.	22	50
D. Lothrop & Co., clothing	14	10
Clark Bros., paints and labor.....	5	50
Samuel J. Smith, board of prisoners	200	00
C. H. Trickey & Co., coal	64	00
D. A. Page, boots, shoes and repairing	4	75
Joseph Mann, Tr. water for jail house, 6 months to Janua- ry 1, 1879.....	12	00
M. D. Hill & Co., tinning roof of jail house.	94	97
S. H. Fuller & Co., hardware	5	40
Samuel J. Smith, board and turnkeys of prisoners, cloth- ing and supplies furnished, balance of account to March 1, 1879.....	594	74
D. Lothrop & Co., clothing for prisoners.....	16	25
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Total jail expense	\$3654	04

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE.

Geo. W. Colbath, postage stamps, probate office	\$3 00
Dover Gas Light Co., gas for County offices one year..	63 96
John Bartlett, services and expenses as Commissioner..	155 00
C. H. Horton, binding probate records	10 00
Libbey & Co., printing for probate office	98 50
C. H. Foss, services and expenses as Commissioner...	205 00
Frank Freeman, insuring county offices	15 00
Joshua Varney, stamps, register's office	5 50
Geo. J. Foster & Co., printing treasurer's report	48 00
E. H. Whitehouse, services and expenses as Commis- sioner	143 00
D. J. Clark, painting county offices	100 00
H. H. Metcalf, printing treasurer's report	48 00
D. J. Clark, stock and labor in county offices	223 20
J. A. Whitcher, services and expenses as auditor of treasurer's and commissioner's accounts	13 50
Free Press Co., printing treasurer's report	48 00
J. H. Rundlett, labor and piping	9 39
David Hayes, weights and measures and expenses as county sealer	123 75
Wm. P. Moses, services and expenses as auditor	12 00
J. Q. Bradish & Co. stationery for register of deeds and clerk's offices	7 00
C. A. Fairbanks, medical attendance at County Farm and jail to June 30	81 25
J. Varney, postage stamps register of probate office...	6 00
Henry Prendall, lumber, &c., for weight and measure case and probate office	36 11
C. H. Sawyer, services as auditor	6 40
C. H. Trickey, coal, county offices	110 80
Baptist Printing Establishment, printing commissioner's report	80 00

State Reform School, board of Walter V. Ward and Isaac Richmond, Jan. 31 to April 1	32	14
John R. Ham, viewing body of John Burns	5	00
Chas W. Folsom, printing treasurer's report	48	00
G. F. Rollins & Co., hardware for commissioner's office	1	33
Ezra H. Twombly, record book, sprinkling, &c.	22	15
Lydia M. Winkley, assistance rendered A. J. Foye	4	00
T. J. W. Pray, viewing body of John Wentworth and attending H. C. Jackson at jail	8	00
S. S. Chick, services as sheriff, Jan. 28 to July 28, 1879	100	00
T. I. Greene, carpet and repairing chairs for court room and register of deeds	29	66
H. H. Metcalf, Sept. term, 1878, trial term dockets ...	65	00
Libbey & Co., printing treasurer's report and for county offices	140	50
E. J. Lane & Co., stationery, etc., for commissioner's office, register of deeds and probate office	37	70
C. A. Fairbanks, medical attendance at county farm and jail from July 1 to Oct. 1	81	25
C. H. Foss, services as commissioner	199	00
John Bartlett, " "	197	30
Wm. A. Morrill, crockery, glass ware, etc., for county offices	13	51
Henry H. Metcalf, stationery for register of deeds	12	00
E. H. Whitehouse, services as commissioner	150	15
C. B. Shackford, salary as solicitor to Jan. 19, 1879	175	00
C. A. Fairbanks, medical attendance at county farm and jail to Jan. 1, 1879	81	25
Joshua Varney, postage stamps and box rent for probate office	8	50
Geo. J. Foster & Co., printing deeds for register's office	5	00
Wm. R. Brown, teams for commissioners taking inventory through county	25	00
Estate of Wm. H. Smith, horse hire for commissioners	18	00
S. S. Chick, 6 months salary as sheriff, July 28, 1878, to Jan. 28, 1879	100	00

State Reform School, board of James Wilson from Oct. 8, 1878 to Jan. 31, 1879.....	24 43
M. D. Hill & Co., repairing stove, etc., in clerk of probate office	12 25
Dover Gas Light Co., gas one year to Jan. 1, 1879....	55 20
E. J. Lane & Co., stationery and book, county offices	20 83
Wm. R. Brown, expenses incurred in causing arrest and conveyance to jail of Darius G. Hanscomb.....	156 13
David T. Parker, medical attendance in towns of Farmington and Milton to March 19, 1879.....	150 00
Chas. E. Bacon, repairing clocks in clerk and probate offices	2 50
Jas. A. Horne, repairing clock in court room	1 50
City of Dover, lodging and feeding 685 tramps for 1878.....	68 50
S. H. Fuller & Co., hardware for register of deeds' office	50
Chas. Hayes, repairs of court room.....	9 75
Wm. P. Moses, services and expenses as commissioner	142 55
John Bartlett, " " " "	170 00
J. A. Jackson, books and stationery for register's office	17 65
Press Publishing Co., printing blanks for register of deeds' office.....	5 50
Geo. E. Durgin, licenses received and paid to county and afterwards paid to State.....	60 00
John R. Varney, paid for cleaning probate office, copies, etc	5 50
Frank Freeman, insurance on county property in city hall, Dover.....	15 00
John J. Johnson, services, write and copy and travel case County of Strafford vs. town of Farmington	3 24
S. H. Brownell, services in commissioner's rooms 2 years to March 9, 1879.....	20 00
Ephraim H. Whitehouse, services and expenses as commissioner	103 00
County of Rockingham, fare of Chas. E. Pierce to Boston	1 50

Chas. H. Pike, printing envelops for register of deeds' office	6 00
H. Hough, salary, stationery, postage, etc.,	206 20
Town of Milton, rebate on county tax, 1878, in accordance with chap. 24 pamphlet laws, 1878	30 00
C. A. Fairbanks, medical attendance at county farm and jail to April 1, 1879	81 25
County delegation, Sept., 1876, in part	6 00
“ “ “ 1877 “	67 40
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Total miscellaneous expense	\$4,654 18

RECAPITULATION.

Total receipts	\$110,269 25
Notes paid	\$46,396 00
Interest paid	8831 96
County farm expenses	18,777 77
Court expenses	13,688 55
County pauper expense	8753 21
Jail expense	3654 04
Miscellaneous expense	4654 18
Balance in treasury	5513 54
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	\$110,269 25

STATEMENT OF COUNTY DEBT.

Bonds outstanding	\$75,000 00
Notes “	41,875 00
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Am't carried forward	\$116,785 00

Am't brought forward.....	\$116,875 00
Less Cash in treasury.....	5513 54
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Indebtedness of county.....	\$111,361 46
Indebtedness of county, Feb. 28, 1878.....	117,553 19
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Decrease of debt.....	\$6,191 73

Dover, N. H., May 19, 1879.

We, the undersigned, Commissioners of Strafford County, hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of Harry Hough, County Treasurer, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

EPHRAIM H. WHITEHOUSE,	}	<i>County</i>
JOHN BARTLETT,		
WM. PITT MOSES,		<i>Commissioners.</i>

The County officers have, heretofore, made up their annual reports to March 1, but a change in the law at the last session of the Legislature requires them to make up the reports to May 1; consequently the foregoing report embraces a period of fourteen months.

Jailer's Report.

For Fourteen Months Ending April 30, 1879.

Number of males committed.....	81
Number of females committed	4
Whole number.....	85
Assault	17
Larceny	11
Breaking and entering.....	12
Violation of liquor law.....	12
Gambling.....	2
Drunk.....	6
Common drunkard.....	4
Adultery.....	3
Keeping disorderly house....	1
Fornication	1
Stealing	6
Disorderly couduct.....	1
Insult	1
Vagabond and idle person	1
Debt.....	2
Setting fire.....	1
Robbery.....	2
Criminally know and debase a child.....	1
Throwing stones in car window	1
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The jail expense has been considerably increased during the past fourteen months by expenditures for repairs on the buildings and the construction of a water cistern of some 75 hogsheads capacity, which were absolutely necessary. The buildings are now all in good condition, and at a moderate outlay can be so kept for several years to come.

SAMUEL J. SMITH, *Deputy Jailer.*

Physician's Report.

COMMISSIONERS OF STRAFFORD COUNTY :—*Gentlemen,*

I have the honor of presenting the following report for thirteen months, ending April 30, 1879 :

I have made, during the thirteen months, 158 professional visits at the county farm, and attended many other cases within the limits of the city.

Acute Disease. The number of acute cases has been quite numerous. In the spring of 1878 there was an epidemic of measles. Forty children and one adult being attacked, all of whom recovered. There have been cases of pneumonia, pleurisy, diarrhœa, cholera morbus, apoplexy, dysentery, bronchitis, convulsions, hemorrhage from the lungs (fatal), rheumatism, conjunctivitis and gonorrhœa.

In some of these cases the disease was contracted away from the farm, and brought to the hospital for treatment. Some required little care, while others were quite serious and demanded much attention.

Chronic Disease. It must be remembered that the majority of the inmates of this institution are old and infirm when they become domiciled here. Many are afflicted with disease and are compelled to come here from this cause, and such require constant looking after, that their condition may be made comfortable ; the services of a physician are needed as much for this reason as any other, and the calls upon the medical attendant

in this way are many. There have been cases of consumption, dropsy, abdominal aneurism, varicose ulcer, cancer of stomach, syphilis, paralysis, chronic bronchitis, scrofula and cystitis. All of these were diseased in this way before becoming inmates of the institution.

Obstetrics. There have been four births during the year. All of the cases terminated favorably. Two of the children were legitimate and two illegitimate. In each case but one the mother was sent to the farm after she was far advanced in pregnancy.

Surgery. There have been no operations performed during the year. Early in the year one of the inmates of the asylum in attempting to escape jumped from the upper story of that building and fractured one of the small bones of the foot, but recovered without deformity. There has also been a case of fracture of the ulna followed by a good result.

Sanitary condition. The sanitary condition of the institution could hardly be better. Although the ventilation is not in every respect what it should be, yet this condition arises not from lack of attention, but from causes that can not be controlled; the buildings are excellently located and the cellars are always dry and well drained, so that the dangers of disease arising from this cause are nominal. The inmates are compelled to bathe frequently, their clothing is changed often and the floors of the institution are scrubbed several times each week to prevent any tendency toward disease from lack of cleanliness.

Insane. There are thirty-four insane and idiotic persons confined in the asylum. Of these, twenty-five are insane and nine idiotic. Of the former there are no cases that bid fair to improve mentally.

The asylum is clean and well ventilated, and it is difficult to see how such persons could be made more comfortable at so small a relative expense.

The Matron is indefatigable in her efforts for those who are ill or in suffering, and no better attention could be given to those in distress if they were of her own kith and kin. I am indebted to

her constantly for her assistance to me in my labors. The following is the necrology for the year :

DEATHS AT STRAFFORD COUNTY FARM FROM APR. 1,
1878, TO MAY 1, 1879.

DATE.	NAME.	CAUSE.	AGE.
April 25.	Charles Woodes.	Apoplexy.	75 yrs.
May 7.	Margaret Shorey.	Unknown.	48 "
" 18.	Nathaniel Elliot.	Apoplexy.	82 "
" 21.	Hattie Evans.	Consumption.	19 "
" 28.	Wm. Whitehouse.	Hemorrhage of Lungs.	26 "
June 12.	Hannah Brown.	Apoplexy.	87 "
" 20.	Maud White.	Tuberculous Diarrhoea.	10 m'ths.
July 18.	Susan Grant.	Atelectasis.	1 y., 8 m.
" 25.	Lucretia Piper.	Dysentery.	68 yrs.
" 26.	John McDaniel.	Old age.	85 "
Aug. 8.	Enoch Hayes.	Convulsions.	10 m'ths.
Sept. 11.	Owen Flood.	Cholera Morbus.	71 yrs.
" 13.	Julia Clark.	Consumption.	60 "
Oct. 31.	Clarissa Severance.	Old age.	78 "
Dec. 20.	Jon. H. Henderson.	Old age and gen. debility.	83 "
" 30.	Wm. Moore.	" " " " "	72 "
" 30.	Samuel Davis.	" " " " "	68 "
1879.			
Jan. 10.	Joseph Granville.	Congestion of Lungs.	71 "
" 26.	Katurah Foss.	Convulsions.	6 m'ths.
Feb. 2.	James H. Roberts.	Apoplexy.	72 yrs.
" 26.	Ebenezer Ford.	Consumption.	68 "
Mar. 22.	Daniel Whitehouse.	"	29 "

CHAS. A. FAIRBANKS, M. D.

Dover, May 1, 1879.

Solicitor's Report,

For the year ending May 1, 1879.

Number of Indictments found for breaking, entering and larceny	14
Assaults on officers	4
Larceny	7
Defective highway	1
Fornication	2
Keeping disorderly house	3
Releasing prisoner	1
Cruelty to animals	2
Forgery	1
Uttering forged note	1
Obstructing officers	3
Soliciting orders for sale of liquor	1
Conversion of property by bailee	3
Burning barn	1
Aggravated assaults	4
Receiving stolen goods	1
Abuse of female child	1
Violation of liquor law	107

160

Number of indictments brought forward that had been marked during the previous year, not to be brought forward, unless the respondents violated the law again	8
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Whole number of indictments added to the State Docket
during the year..... 168

DISPOSED OF AS FOLLOWS :

Number of respondents sentenced to State Prison.....	12
“ “ “ Jail	3
“ “ “ Reform School.....	1
“ “ “ pay a fine of \$50 and costs	28
Number of respondents found not guilty by jury.....	1
“ indictments dismissed.....	9
“ “ nol' pros'.....	10
“ “ continued	4
“ “ marked not to be brought forward on payment of cost unless the respondents violate the law again.....	100
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	168
Number of jury trials.....	12
“ verdicts guilty.....	6
“ “ not guilty	2
“ disagreements	4

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. SHACKFORD,

Solicitor for the County of Strafford.

Dover, April 30, 1879.

Sheriff's Report

OF COUNTY OF STRAFFORD.

For the year ending May 1, 1879.

Received of the County	\$498 88
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Cr.

Serving venires.....	\$5 00
Repairing court room	3 00
Paid chaplain.....	2 00
Joseph Jones deputy sheriff, 38 days.....	95 00
“ “ one night with jury.....	2 50
“ “ travel five miles	60
D. C. Wiggin, deputy sheriff, 38 days.....	95 00
“ “ four nights with jury.....	10 00
“ “ travel one mile	12
Samuel Brownell, as messenger 40 days.....	80 00
“ “ ringing bell.....	20 00
S. S. Chick, sheriff 38 days.....	114 00
“ “ five nights with jury	15 00
“ “ five miles travel	60
Dover Ice Co.	2 10
Committing Henry Knox to State Prison	10 00
Copy of Mittimus.....	1 00

Committing to State Reform School James Wilson	10 00
Copy of Mittimus	1 00
Committing to jail Patrick Durnin.....	1 12
“ “ Patrick Cassidy	1 12
“ “ John D. Mahoney	3 36
“ “ John McGuinness	1 12
“ “ Joseph Pequaine	1 12
“ “ Samuel Davis, Jr.....	1 12
Eight copies Mittimus	8 00
Committing John Grant to jail.....	5 00
Copy of Mittimus.....	1 00
Committing Chas W. Robinson to jail	5 00
Copy of Mittimus.....	1 00
Paid for Telegram	50
“ Cab Hire.....	2 50
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\$498 88	

FEBRUARY TERM STRAFFORD COUNTY COURT.

Received of the County \$483 99

Cr.

Preparing court room.....	3 00
Paid chaplain.....	2 00
Joseph Jones, deputy sheriff 26 days.....	65 00
“ “ one mile travel	12
D. C. Wiggin, deputy sheriff 21 days	52 50
“ “ one mile travel.....	12
John G. Johnson, deputy sheriff 26 days.....	65 00
“ “ twenty miles travel.....	2 40
Nathan Wentworth, deputy sheriff 1 day.....	2 50
“ “ 5 miles travel	60
S. S. Chick, sheriff 26 days.....	78 00
“ “ five miles travel	60

S. S. Chick, one night with jury.....	3 00	
Samuel H. Brownell, messenger 33 days.....	66 00	
“ “ ringing bell.....	13 00	
Paid Dover Ice Co.....	1 40	
Committing to State Prison Wm. B. Hall, Darius G. Hanscom, Peter Gibson, Etta Parker, Augustus Cowen, Henry Barrows, Charles Jackson, Fred Furbish, Thomas Rien, Richard Pyne, Geo. W. Whitehouse	110 00	
Eleven copies Mittimus.....	11 00	
John W. Rines, 1-2 day's work.....	1 25	
Michael McGaugh, 1-2 day's work	1 25	
Thomas Printy, 1 1-2 day's work.....	3 75	
Telegraphing	1 50	
		\$483 99
Six months' salary from July 28, 1878, to Jan. 28, 1879		\$100' 00

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN S. CHICK,

County Sheriff.

Report of Clerk.

SUPREME COURT.

STRAFFORD, S. S.

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1878.

To the County Commissioners of Strafford County :

I herewith render to you an account of my receipts and disbursements as Clerk of the Supreme Court for said County from the end of Feb. Term, 1878, to the end of Sept. Term, 1878 :

RECEIPTS.

By amount of fines and costs.....	\$1207 59
“ in hands at last settlement.....	4 54
“ rec'd for jury fees.....	75 00
“ “ “ licenses	70 00
“ “ “ dockets	37 50
“ “ “ entry fees	172 80
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	\$1567 43

I have charged said County as follows :

To cash paid for postage, expressing, telegraphing, stationery, &c., for Court and Clerk's office	\$49 49
To cash paid for June Law Term Dockets	9 00
“ “ “ “ expenses	19 35

To cash paid for printing	28 00
To recording judgments and attesting.....	107 25
To amount allowed by Presiding Justice according to order of Court, Dec. T., 1876	250 00
To 38 days' attendance as Clerk	104 00
To cash paid County Treasurer	1000 34
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	\$1567 43

FEBRUARY TERM, 1879.

By amount of fines and costs.....	\$625 68
“ rec'd for jury fees	75 00
“ “ “ licenses	80 00
“ “ “ dockets	35 00
“ “ “ entry fees	207 00
“ “ of County Treasurer.....	60 00
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	\$1082, 68

I have charged the County as follows :

To cash paid for postage, expressing, telegraphing, sta- tionery, &c., for Court and Clerk's office.....	\$65 14
To cash paid C. H. Horton, for binding.....	10 00
“ “ for books.....	10 00
“ “ “ Dec. Law T. Dockets.....	8 71
“ “ “ proportion of Law T. expenses.....	15 01
“ “ “ printing	76 50
“ “ “ State Treasurer (licenses).....	140 00
“ “ “ County Treasurer	300 00
To 28 days' attendance as Clerk.....	84 00
To six months' salary	250 00
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	\$959 36

GEO. E. DURGIN, *Clerk.*

May 1, 1879.

Auditor's Report.

We, the undersigned Auditors of the County of Strafford, have attended to the duties assigned us by the laws of the State, and find the Treasurer's accounts correctly cast and properly vouched. And in addition to the usual report of the County Commissioners that their accounts are correctly cast and properly vouched, find that the articles purchased by them were at the market value in their opinion, and were used for the benefit of the County.

JOSEPH A. WHITCHER, } *Auditors.*
JAMES F. SEAVEY, }





